

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

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August 12, 2003

FROM: **BILL INGRAHAM**, Director
Department of Airports

**SUBJECT: GRANT FROM FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION — APPLE VALLEY
AIRPORT**

RECOMMENDATION: Receive report from Department of Airports acknowledging receipt of grant in the amount of \$350,000 from the Federal Aviation Administration to install a perimeter fence, including an emergency fire access road, and construction of aircraft run-up areas at Apple Valley Airport.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Department of Airports has previously applied for and received Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Improvement Program grants. These grants provide financing for construction and reconstruction of eligible airport facilities and airfield improvements at County airports.

On May 20, 2003, the Board approved an application to seek grant funds in the amount of \$350,000 from the FAA for the recommended purpose and authorized the Director of Airports to sign and submit all grant related documents including the application and subsequent grant agreement. The grant was received and signed by the Director of Airports on August 4, 2003.

This grant will fund the installation of new perimeter fencing and construct aircraft run-up areas. Currently, airport fencing does not completely surround the airport property. The new fence will enhance airport security and be aligned with the airport property line. Construction of an emergency fire access road will allow emergency vehicles and personnel to provide a quick response to aircraft incidents or accidents. The construction of aircraft run-up areas will enhance the traffic flow of aircraft on the taxiways improving operating efficiency for the airport by providing areas for aircraft to perform preflight checks without obstructing other aircraft.

This grant will provide funding for 90% of the total project cost which is estimated at \$388,888. The County will be responsible for the remaining 10% of the cost. Additional funding may be available from the State of California Department of Transportation Division of Aeronautics in the amount of 5% of the total project cost, reducing the County participation to 5% or an estimated \$19,444.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: This item was reviewed by County Counsel, Fiona Luke, (Deputy County Counsel) on July 28, 2003, and by County Administrative Office, Tom Forster, (Administrative Analyst) on August 1, 2003.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT: The cost for this project is \$388,888. Of this amount, 90% (\$350,000) would be provided by the FAA. The remaining 10% County match (\$38,888) would be paid from

CSA 60, Special Aviation Fund for Apple Valley Airport with a potential contribution from the Caltrans Division of Aeronautics up to \$19,444. Appropriations for this project are in the FY 2003/04 capital improvement budget for Airports.

COST REDUCTION REVIEW: The County Administrative Office has reviewed this agenda item, concurs with the department's proposal, and recommends approval of this item as it directly impacts the safety and welfare of Apple Valley Airport and its users. The project will be fully funded by federal and potential state revenue sources and County capital improvement funds dedicated for airport improvements. This project will have no impact on the County's General Fund.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): First

PRESENTER: Bill Ingraham, 387-7802